# THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT 2022 ROSTER

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#### RULES

# The Senate Committee on Government Oversight 2022 Legislative Session

- 1. Quorum of the Committee shall be six (6) members.
- 2. The Chairman shall determine which cases or investigations shall be heard and the order in which said hearings are to commence.
- 3. The Committee will not hear a bill unless the Chairman receives a written request for a hearing from the author of the bill. Such a letter does not obligate the Chairman to hear the bill.
- 4. The Chairman shall have the authority to refer cases or investigations to subcommittee for study. Such subcommittees, in turn, shall have the authority to make recommendations on such cases to the full Committee.
- 5. The Committee shall convene, recess, put forward questions and adjourn upon order of the Chairman, subject to the Rules of the Senate.
- 6. Any member or members of the Committee who disagree with the majority report of the Committee shall be privileged to file a minority report.
- 7. At the discretion of the Chairman and subsequent to the meeting in which the rules are adopted, all amendments or substitute bills must be submitted to chairman at least 24 hours before adoption by the committee.
- 8. If a committee member moves on a House bill without a Senate sponsor, that committee member will be listed as the senate sponsor of the bill.
- 9. After adoption, these rules may be amended upon motion duly made, seconded, and subsequently approved by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Committee.
- 10. The Secretary of the Committee shall distribute a copy of these rules to all members of the Senate Government Oversight Committee.
- 11. Anyone who wishes to record the proceedings of a meeting shall make the request of the Chairman who will assign a location within the meeting room for the setup and operation of the recording equipment if space allows.
- 12. Where these rules are silent on a specific issue, the Rules of the Senate, as adopted, shall govern.

# Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Wednesday, February 2, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 450 of the State Capitol. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Mike Dugan (30th)

Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Burt Jones (25th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th)

Sen. Randy Robertson (29th) (Ex-Officio) (Arrived Late)

**NOTE:** Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th), Sen. Butch Miller (49th), Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th), and Sen. Valencia Seay (34th) were absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th) convened the meeting at 8:06 a.m.

SB 346 (Sen. Mullis, 53rd, LC 44 1774) Department of Administrative Services; companies owned or operated by China to bid on or submit a proposal for a state contract; prohibit

The Chair recognized Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Mullis (53rd) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Hatchett (50th) who made a motion that **SB 346 Do Pass** (**LC 44 1774**). Sen. Hickman (4th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-1.

Sen. Tillery (19th), Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dugan (30th), and Sen. Hatchett (50th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Merritt (9th) voted against the motion.

#### Committee Recommendation: SB 346 DO PASS (LC 44 1774)

**NOTE:** Sen. Robertson (29th) arrived at 8:10 a.m.

SB 326 (Sen. Anavitarte, 31st, LC 50 0226) State Flag, Seal, Symbols; placement of a monument in honor of the Honorable Clarence Thomas within the capitol building or grounds; provide

The Chair recognized Sen. Jason Anavitarte (31st) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Anavitarte (31st) presented the bill to the committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Jackson (41st) arrived at 8:14 a.m. **NOTE:** Sen. Jones (25th) arrived at 8:17 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill: Shelley Wynter, WSB Radio

*Testimony in opposition of the Bill:* None.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Robertson (29th) who made a motion that **SB 326 Do Pass** (**LC 50 0226**). Sen. Hatchett (50th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-2.

Sen. Tillery (19th), Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dugan (30th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), Sen. Jones (25th), and Sen. Robertson (29th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st) and Sen. Merritt (9th) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 326 DO PASS (LC 50 0226)

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 8:26 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Sen. Hickman (4th), Secretary

### Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Tuesday, February 22, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 450 of the State Capitol. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th)

Sen. Mike Dugan (30th) (Left Early)

Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Burt Jones (25th) (Arrived Late) (Left Early)

Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Butch Miller (49th) (Ex-Officio) (Arrived Late) (Left Early)

Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Randy Robertson (29th) (Ex-Officio)

Sen. Valencia Seay (34th) (Arrived Late)

NOTE: Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman was absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th) convened the meeting at 8:10 a.m.

# SR 37 (Sen. Dolezal, 27th, LC 47 0696) Members of the Senate; four-year term of office; provide-CA

The Chair recognized Sen. Dolezal (27th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Dolezal (27th) presented the bill to the committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Jackson (41st) arrived at 8:11 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Robertson (29th) who made a motion that **SR 37 Do Pass** (**LC 47 0696**). Sen. Hickman (4th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-1.

Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dolezal (27th), Sen. Dugan (30th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), and Sen. Robertson (29th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: SR 37 DO PASS (LC 47 0696)

SB 279 (Sen. Anderson, 43rd, LC 47 0935) State Flag, Seal, Symbols; placement of a monument to honor of the Original 33; provide

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Dugan (30th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Jackson (41st) who made a motion that **SB 279 Do Pass** (**LC 47 0935**). Sen. Dugan (30th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 279 DO PASS (LC 47 0935)

# <u>SB 108</u> (Sen. Davenport, 44th, LC 33 8596) Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired; create

The Chair stated that SB 108 would receive a hearing only.

The Chair recognized Sen. Gail Davenport (44th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Davenport (44th) presented the bill to the committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Miller (49th) arrived at 8:16 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Jones (25th) arrived at 8:17 a.m.

NOTE: Sen. Jones (25th) left at 8:23 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Merritt (9th) arrived at 8:23 a.m.

NOTE: Sen. Dugan (30th) left at 8:29 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Seay (34th) arrived at 8:32 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Rahman (5th) arrived at 8:35 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

*Testimony in favor of the Bill:* 

DJ McIntyre, Georgia Council of the Blind

Betsy Grenevitch, Georgia Council of the Blind

Cecily Nipper, Georgia Council of the Blind

*Testimony in opposition of the Bill:* 

None.

**NOTE:** Sen. Hatchett (50th), Sen. Miller (49th), and Sen. Hickman (4th) left at 8:36 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Hickman (4th) returned at 8:38 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 108 (LC 33 8596) No action was taken.

# <u>SB 337</u> (Sen. Walker III, 20th, LC 28 0365) Public Officers; suspension of compensation because of indictment for a felony; provide

**NOTE:** Sen. Hatchett (50th) returned at 8:53 a.m.

The Chair recognized Sen. Larry Walker III (20th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Walker III (20th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Hickman (4th) who made a motion that **SB 337 Do Pass** (**LC 28 0365**). Sen. Robertson (29th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1.

Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dolezal (27th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), Sen. Merritt (9th), Sen. Rahman (5th), Sen. Robertson (29th), and Sen. Valencia Seay (34th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 337 DO PASS (LC 28 0365)

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 8:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

### Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Thursday, March 3, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 307 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Mike Dugan (30th)

Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th) (Arrived Late) (Left Early)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st)

Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)

Sen. Randy Robertson (29th) (Ex-Officio)

Sen. Valencia Seay (34th) (Left Early)

**NOTE:** Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman, Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th), Sen. Burt Jones (25th), and Sen. Butch Miller (49th) were absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th) convened the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

# <u>SB 519</u> (Sen. Tippins, 37th, LC 49 0807) Solicitors-General of State Courts: honorary office of solicitor-general emeritus; provide

The Chair recognized Sen. Lindsey Tippins (37th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Tippins (37th) presented the bill to the committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Hatchett (50th) arrived at 4:05 p.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

*Testimony in favor of the Bill:* 

Pete Skandalakis, PAC

*Testimony in opposition of the Bill:* 

None.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion that **SB 519 Do Pass (LC 49 0807).** Sen. Seay (34th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 519 DO PASS (LC 49 0807)

**NOTE:** Sen. Merritt (9th) arrived at 4:12 p.m.

# SB 535 (Sen. Summers, 13th, LC 33 9013) "Reducing Street Homelessness Act of 2022"; enact

The Chair stated that SB 535 would receive a hearing only.

The Chair recognized Sen. Carden Summers (13th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Summers (13th) presented the bill to the committee.

NOTE: Sen. Dugan (30th) left at 4:35 p.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Dugan (30th) returned at 4:42 p.m.

NOTE: Sen. Rahman (5th) left at 4:48 p.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Rahman (5th) returned at 4:51 p.m.

NOTE: Sen. Seay (34th) left at 4:48 pm

**NOTE:** Sen. Seay (34th) returned at 5:19 p.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

*Testimony in favor of the Bill:* 

Judge Glock, Cicero Action

Jared Meyer, Cicero Action

Dr. Bambie Hayes-Brown, PhD in Theology/Bible

Testimony in opposition of the Bill:

Christopher Nunn, Department of Community Affairs

Cathryn Marchman Vassell, Georgia Supportive Housing Association

Mariel Sively, Partners for Home

Elizabeth Appley, Lawyer

Stan Jones, Nelson Mullins

Kenyatta Mitchell, City of Atlanta

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 535 (LC 33 9013) No action was taken.

# SB 562 (Sen. Mullis, 53rd, LC 44 1996) Department of Administrative Services; companies owned or operated by Russia to bid on or submit a proposal for a state contract; prohibit

The Chair recognized Sen. Mullis (53rd) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Mullis (53rd) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill:

Megan Schmidt, Philanthropy Roundtable

Taylor Hawkins, Frontline

*Testimony in opposition of the Bill:* None.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Robertson (29th) who made a motion that **SB 562 Do Pass** (**LC 44 1996**). Sen. Hatchett (50th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 562 DO PASS (LC 44 1996)

<u>SB 534</u> (Sen. Kennedy, 18th, LC 36 5119) State Government; certain procedural requirements and considerations for the adoption of rules by state agencies that are applicable to charitable organizations; provide

The Chair recognized Sen. John Kennedy (18th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Kennedy (18th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill:

None.

Testimony in opposition of the Bill:

Lynn McKeel, Attorney

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion that **SB 534 Do Pass** (**LC 36 5119**). Sen. Jackson (41st) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Committee Recommendation: SB 534 DO PASS (LC 36 5119)

SB 108 (Sen. Davenport, 44th, LC 33 8596) Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired; create

The Chair recognized Sen. Davenport (44th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Davenport (44th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

*Testimony in favor of the Bill:* 

Betsy Grenevitch, Georgia Council of the Blind

Testimony in opposition of the Bill: Jonathan Buxton, GVRA

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Merritt (9th) who made a motion that **SB 108 Do Pass by Substitute** (**LC 33 8743S).** Sen. Seay (34th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1.

Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dugan (30th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Merritt (9th), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Robertson (29th) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 108 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 33 8743S)

**NOTE:** Sen. Hatchett (50th) left at 5:29 p.m. **NOTE:** Sen. Seay (34th) left at 6:08 p.m.

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

### Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Tuesday, March 8, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 310 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Mike Dugan (30th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Burt Jones (25th) (Left Early)

Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th)

Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)

Sen. Randy Robertson (29th) (Ex-Officio) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Valencia Seay (34th)

**NOTE:** Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman, Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th), and Sen. Butch Miller (49th) were absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th) convened the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

<u>SB 528</u> (Sen. McNeill, 3rd, LC 54 0053) Emergency Management; the inclusion of barbers and cosmetologists as essential workers in the event the Governor declares a public health emergency; provide

The Chair recognized Sen. Sheila McNeill (3rd) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. McNeill (3rd) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill: Leslie Manoukian, Legislative Aide

*Testimony in opposition of the Bill:* 

None.

The Chair recognized Sen. Merritt (9th) who made a motion **SB 528 Do Pass** (**LC 54 0053**). Sen. Seay (34th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Committee Recommendation: SB 528 DO PASS (LC 54 0053)

**NOTE:** Sen. Robertson (29th) arrived at 5:28 p.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Jones (25th) left at 5:30 p.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Jackson (41st) arrived at 5:33 p.m.

# SB 535 (Sen. Summers, 13th, LC 33 9013) "Reducing Street Homelessness Act of 2022"; enact

The Chair recognized Sen. Summers (13th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Summers (13th) presented the bill to the committee.

NOTE: Sen. Jackson (41st) left at 5:35 p.m. NOTE: Sen. Robertson (29th) left at 5:37 p.m. NOTE: Sen. Jackson (41st) returned at 5:37 p.m. NOTE: Sen. Robertson (29th) returned at 5:38 p.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public.

The Chair recognized Sen. Merritt (9th) who made a motion to **table SB 535** (LC **33 9013**). Sen. Seay (34th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-3.

Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Merritt (9th), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Harbin (16th), Sen. Hickman (4th), and Sen. Robertson (29th) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 535 (LC 33 9013) Tabled.

**NOTE:** Sen. Hatchett (50th) arrived at 5:38 p.m. **NOTE:** Sen. Dugan (30th) arrived at 5:46 p.m.

# SB 272 (Sen. James, 35th, LC 41 3036) Racial Equity and Reconciliation Commission of Georgia; create

The Chair recognized Sen. Donzella James (35th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. James (35th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Robertson (29th) who made a motion to **amend SB 272** by striking racial language from lines 12, 36, 38, 47, and 48. Sen. Jackson (41st) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chair indicated his preference that the adopted amendment be included in a perfected substitute.

The Chair recognized Sen. Robertson (29th) who made a motion that **SB 272 Do Pass by Substitute**. Sen. Jackson (41st) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: SB 272 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 54 0078S)

**NOTE:** Sen. Hickman (4th) left at 5:48 p.m. **NOTE:** Sen. Robertson (29th) left at 5:48 p.m.

The Committee paused for a 5 minute recess at 5:55 p.m.

Chairman Harbin (16th) reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Rahman (5th) returned at 6:02 p.m.

NOTE: Sen. Hickman (4th) and Sen. Robertson (29th) returned at 6:08 p.m.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion to **lift SB 535** (**LC 33 9013**) **from the table.** Sen. Hatchett (50th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-4.

Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dugan (30th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), and Sen. Robertson (29th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Merritt (9th), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted against the motion.

Chairman Harbin (16th) voted in favor of the motion to break the tie.

The Chair recognized Sen. Hatchett (50th) who made a motion that **SB 535 Do Pass by Substitute** (**LC 54 0077S**). Sen. Hickman (4th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-4.

Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dugan (30th), Sen. Hatchett (50th), and Sen. Robertson (29th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Merritt (9th), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted against the motion.

Chairman Harbin (16th) voted in favor of the motion to break the tie.

#### Committee Recommendation: SB 535 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 54 0077S)

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

### Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Thursday, March 24, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 310 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st)

Sen. Butch Miller (49th) (Ex-Officio) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th) (Arrived Late)

Sen. Valencia Seay (34th)

**NOTE:** Sen. Mike Dugan (30th), Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th), Sen. Burt Jones (25th), Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th), and Sen. Randy Robertson (29th) were absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th) convened the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

# <u>HB 1520</u> (Rep. Hawkins, 27th, LC 33 9091S) Georgia Council on Addressing Health Care Workforce Challenges; create

The Chair recognized Rep. Lee Hawkins (27th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Hawkins (27th) presented the bill to the committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Rahman (5th) arrived at 9:15 a.m. **NOTE:** Sen. Miller (49th) arrived at 9:33 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill:
Emily Talley, Tanner Health System
Tim Kibler, GACH
Anna Adams, GHA
Deb Bailey, Northeast Georgia Health System
Julie Windom, Atrium Health

Testimony in opposition of the Bill:

None.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Miller (49th) who made a motion that **HB 1520 Do Pass by Substitute** (**LC 52 0131S**). Sen. Seay (34th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-1.

Sen. Tillery (19th), Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Miller (49th), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Dolezal (27th) voted against the motion.

## Committee Recommendation: HB 1520 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 52 0131S)

# HB 1335 (Rep. Smyre, 135th, LC 43 2371S) Holidays and observances; provide for Public Safety Week

The Chair recognized Rep. Calvin Smyre (135th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Smyre (135th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dolezal (27th) who made a motion to **table HB 1335** (**LC 43 2371S**). Sen. Hickman (4th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-3.

Sen. Tillery (19th), Sen. Hickman (4th), Sen. Dolezal (27th), and Sen. Miller (49th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Jackson (41st), Sen. Rahman (5th), and Sen. Seay (34th) voted against the motion.

### Committee Recommendation: HB 1335 (LC 43 2371S) Tabled.

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

# Minutes of the Senate Committee on Government Oversight Wednesday, March 30, 2022

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight met on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 307 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Marty Harbin (16th), Chairman

Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary

Sen. Mike Dugan (30th)

Sen. Bo Hatchett (50th)

Sen. Kim Jackson (41st)

Sen. Butch Miller (49th) (Ex-Officio)

**NOTE:** Sen. Blake Tillery (19th), Vice-Chairman, Sen. Greg Dolezal (27th), Sen. Burt Jones (25th), Sen. Nikki Merritt (9th), Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th), Sen. Randy Robertson (29th), and Sen. Valencia Seay (34th) were absent.

Chairman Harbin (16th), convened the meeting at 8:11 a.m.

# <u>HB 1335</u> (Rep. Smyre, 135th, LC 43 2371S) Holidays and observances; provide for Public Safety Week

The Chair recognized Rep. Smyre (135th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Smyre (135th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion that **HB 1335 Do Pass** (**LC 43 2371S**). Sen. Hickman (4th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: HB 1335 DO PASS (LC 43 2371S)

# HB 1182 (Rep. Taylor, 173rd, LC 47 1495) Local government; disposition of property acquired for lake projects do not apply if any portion of such lake was constructed; provide provisions

The Chair recognized Rep. Darlene Taylor (173rd) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Taylor (173rd) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion that **HB 1182 Do Pass** (**LC 47 1495**). Sen. Hatchett (50th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Committee Recommendation: HB 1182 DO PASS (LC 47 1495)

# <u>HB 92</u> (Rep. Gambill, 15th, LC 33 8488) Health; transfer of vital records to State Archives; revise provisions

The Chair recognized Rep. Matthew Gambill (15th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Gambill (15th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Hatchett (50th) who made a motion that **HB 92 Do Pass by Substitute** (**LC 54 0107S**). Sen. Miller (49th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Committee Recommendation: HB 92 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 54 0107S)

# **HB 918** (Rep. Cheokas, 138th, LC 33 8990S) Georgia Rare Disease Advisory Council; provide establishment

The Chair recognized Rep. Mike Cheokas (138th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Cheokas (138th) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Jackson (41st) who made a motion that **HB 918 Do Pass by Substitute (LC 33 9155S).** Sen. Dugan (30th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Committee Recommendation: HB 918 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 33 9155S)

### HB 960 (Rep. Leverett, 33rd, 44 2008S) Office of the Inspector General; establish

The Chair recognized Rep. Rob Leverett (33rd) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Leverett (33rd) presented the bill to the committee.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill: Scott McAfee, Office of the Inspector General

Testimony in opposition of the Bill:

None.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Dugan (30th) who made a motion that **HB 960 Do Pass by Substitute** (**LC 54 0108S**). Sen. Hatchett (50th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# Committee Recommendation: HB 960 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 54 0108S)

Chairman Harbin (16th) adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Billy Hickman (4th), Secretary